PTO Meeting Minutes November 9, 2021

Amber welcomed everyone.

I. Allison Neal went over the treasurer's report.

II. Old Business

A. Dine Out for Dollars

- November 16th is Salsarita's. They are accepting online orders as well with Promo Code: FUNDRAISER.
- 2. December 14th is Panda Express.
- 3. Cassie would love to have a Save The Date pushed out this week for that.

B. Fence signs

- 1. We have several businesses that haven't renewed their contract for the year. Someone is reaching back out to them for renewal.
- 2. They can renew on our Square website.

C. Adopt-A-Bed for our grounds

1. We have 5 beds that haven't been adopted yet. There was a flyer that went home to parents on how to contact us about this,

D. Merchandise

- 1. Can purchase on our Square website. Amber said when parents order to post it to social media and PTO will repost it. Flyer with QR code has gone home to families and will go home again.
- 2. Cooler weather so maybe the sweatshirts and hoodies will start selling more.
- 3. Mrs. Langston said we will have Family Reading Night this year on December 7th and 9th. Lori said we will set up a merchandise table at these two events.

E. Yearbook

Collecting Photos via FCE Email or send to Allison Rosenburg.
There will be a flyer sent home to parents with her contact info.

F. Teacher Appreciation Month of November

- 1. We are hosting Pie & Coffee teachers and staff this Friday, November 12th.
- 2. The week after Thanksgiving (November 19th) we will cater food for teachers & staff from Panda Express.

II. New Business

- A. Christmas Meal (Holiday Staff Appreciation) for teachers and staff on Monday, December 13th. PTO would like to have catered through Penne For Your Thoughts. Penne also has a food truck that possibly could work. Amber is working on details.
- B. January Dine Out for Dollars could possibly be Sweet P's. Cassie is working on lining something up. Anyone else has a restaurant in mind to let us know or call the restaurant yourself.
- C. January Carnival Planning meeting will be January 24th with PTO officers and Mrs. Langston.
- D. Student Government for the 5th graders will start back up in spring of this school year. It will be lead by Mrs. Norman. It's a great opportunity for 5th graders to help with service projects with our school and local community. 5th graders will need to write an essay and express interest in leading.
- E. Cross Country 2022-23 We got the go ahead from Mrs. Langston to start working on getting a teacher sponsor and parent coach for next school year. This will be 3rd-5th graders. Amber will start on application with Knoxville Youth Athletics in the spring. At the Open House next school year 22/23 we can gauge an interest from students and parents. The only thing that might get tricky would be where the kids practice running since our aftercare program, Kid's Place, rents the track from us and uses it until 6pm every evening during the week. Mrs. Langston said we may need to reach out to Gresham to see about using their track for practice runs. Amber was hopeful maybe PTO could offer a scholarship program to help cover the cost of the children's fees.
 - Parents Misty Kirby and Amber Edrington talked about possibly coaching this.
- F. PTO Volunteer Interest we will send out another flyer for PTO volunteers. On this flyer we are going to address the Carnival Committee needs.
- III. Principal Remarks Mrs. Langston talked about the loss of one of our staff recently and how she will be missed. She mentioned seeing a shift with the COVID Virus and maybe starting to see things start to get back to the way things used to be soon. We have live events like Family Reading Night, Grandfriends Day, and Spring Carnival in the winter and early spring. She said we can support our teachers and staff right now by letting them know how much we appreciate them.

Next Meeting: 6 p.m. December 7th